RICHMOND TERMINAL

company in a Better Condition Financially Than Ever Before.

SECRETARY BLAINE IS IMPROVING.

Believed, However, That His Condition Is a Physical Wreck-Fashionables Off for Europe-New York News.

> NEW YORK BUREAU. RICHMOND TIMES, NEW YORK, May 23, 1891.

The Wall-Street Journal this evening quotes. a prominent Richmond Terminal director as viating that the condition of the Richmond erminal Company is better than ever before, hey have in the treasury an enormous urs for \$3,000,000, sufficient to pay terest for two years if they did not efore, and prospects very bright.

the company shall provide itself with passenger compment besides the great tion made during the past year. This een rendered necessary by the enormous th of the passenger traffic itself, which, mpany has steadily been making in

MR. BLAINE IMPROVING.

stated at the residence of Mrs. resch that Secretary Blaine is regaining lost strength. The gont has nearly dis-ared, and the patient is now able to bout the house without difficulty. He also much more cheerful to-day than at ons time in his present illness. Dr. the attending physician, did not call house this morning, but the proba-are that he and Mr. Blaine will take a

doll, which was inseparable company. It is supposed that the child took her doll down into the cellar to wash it, and in leaning over the barrel lost her balance and fell head foremost into the water OFF FOR EUROPE

ant Wm. Henn, the fam ous yachts sailed to-day on the Aurania, which also to Europe Robert Hoe and Chief ice Yelverton, Claus Spreckles went on Saale. Eight steamers left here to-day,

de. Eight steamers left here to-day, everal thousand passengers, teresting feature of the fight between J. Dwyer, president of the Brooklyn Club, and the city or pool is the fact that suits for a are to be brought against yer and Robert Pinkerton by several a were detained at the track on Thursdeep the collegement of the particular of al subsequently arrested for making to get away before the last race had Two of the men who were arrested Howe & Hummel and retained them suits for \$19,000 damages in each

mered about in real estate circles Fifth avenue and Thirty-fourth street of Fifty-fifth street. It is further that the old dwelling will be torn est of this grand structure would reach

23.09,000.

The new hotel on the Astor property, at Fifth Avenue and Thirty-third street, is probably not to be called the Waldorf, after William Waldorf Astor. A representative of the Astor estate said. "The Astors do not like to have their name associated with hotels. and the family regrets very much that the old Astor House had been so named. The new hotel is in charge of Mr. Broeck, a restaura-teur of Philadelphia, to whom all inquiries are referred. He has supervised the designs, and is superintending the building." The new hotel may be named after him. At any rate, it is said that he will select the name.

CATHOLIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ENICKERBOCKER COACHING CLUB,

The annual "meet" of the Knickerbocker Coaching Club took place to-day. The event proved, as it was anticipated it would be, a noteworthy event in the history of the club. The programme was altered a little this year from former occasions. Instead of leaving the Brunswick after luncheon and returning to that hostelry for dinner, the customary programme, the coaches started on their journey at 11:30 A. M.

On assembling at the meeting point the manneuvres were gone through before the start was made. This consisted of each coach falling into line, with the president of the club. Colonel William Jay, in the lead, and the vice-president, Frederick R. Rives, at the roar. The president's coach then drove around to the rear, and the other coaches followed in the same order until the original positions were again obtained and the manneuvre completed. The annual "meet" of the Knickerbocker

again obtained and the manœnvre completed. A blast from the guard's horn was then given, and the parade started over the proposed line of march, which led up Fifth avenue to the park and up the west drive to the Mall; a short turn around the park was made twice and the line turned into Seventy-second street and from there the procession proceeded, via Riverside drive, to the Claremont, where luncheon was served on

the Claremont, where funched was served on the broad piazza overlooking the Hudson. The State of Virginia was worthily repre-sented by Vice-President F. R. Rives. Mr. Rives drove four brown horses and had as his passengers Mrs. Rives, F. E. Rives, David King, and Mr. and Mrs. Waterbury. His 'drag' colors were brown and red, Colnel Jay's team were three roans and a

THE BLAINE PAMILY.

A well-known politician of this city, while talking about the lilness of Secretary Blaine recently in the corridor of the Frith-avenue Hotel, drifted into a discussion of the whole Blaine family. "They are a bright lot," he said, "and very ambitious. Mrs. Blaine has been of great service to her husband in his career; but the smartest of the family, with the exception, of course, of J. G. himself, is ball Hamilton, the writer, who is a near relative on the Blaine side. She is deeply interested in politics, and has helped her kinsman with her keen abilities in his politica man with her keen abilities in his politica

WALL-STREET ECHOES.

The tunnel through Pigeon mountain on the Chattanooga Southern railroad was the last piece of important work on the line. The rest of the line is completed, and it is expected that trains will run from Chattanooga to Gadaden regularly within two weeks. The mineral developments on the road in Lookout and Pigeon mountains are very extensive and red.

The Weekly Iron Report says: In steel rails there are no reports of new business from the Lastern, Middle, Western or far Western mills. All the agents report a good inquiry, but, as seriously reported, the roads or agents of

the roads making the bids are not able to give good bank credits. The fact is, there seems to be a straining tension between the mills and the railway companies. To sum up the situa-tion the buyers have little credit and sellers will not part with their goods until they are reasonably sure of a cash return. And further, the financial situation seems to be at the the financial situation seems to be at the bottom of the stegnation in the rail trade. No

bottom of the stegnation in the rail trade. No change has been reported in prices.

In pig-fron there has been no business transacted of particular importance, nor has there been any quotable change in prices; but it must be said that the demand is lagging. There is still, however, a scarcity of some particular Western and Southern brands, and for these full prices are readily obtained.

In old rails and wrought scrap there has been little done. A few lots are offering, but it is difficult to get bids at close to the prices rasked.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Some friends of General Felix Agnus, the proprietor of the Baltimore American, arranged to greet him socially at a complimentary dinner heid this evening at the Press Club, General Agnus is a life member of the club, and his reputation as a good fellow is a proverb. The dinner was limited to fifty persons.

MILITARY BULLETS.

Progress in Rifle Practice-Inspection of Companies, &c.

Captain Charles Gasser, inspector of rifle practice, reports to headquarters that he finds notwithstanding the limited amount of instruction which the men of the First Virginia regiment have had in the use of the rifle that the larger majority have a very fair knowledge of the use of the sights, and that it is his opinion that it will take less instruc-tion than ordinary to enable them to become tair shots at short distances.

This week the men will be tested further by using cartridges, which will show whether in firing they will derange the aim of the piece. This will enable the officers to classify

men. Classification will be as follows:
Marksmen, 50 per cent, or over; first-class
men, 30 per cent, or less than 50; second-class
men, 15 per cent, up to 30; all under 15 third-

An inspection of Companies A, C, and F

An inspection of Companies A, C, and F will be made to-morrow evening at 8:30 o'clock, and of Companies B, D, and E on Thursday, the 28th, at 8:30 P, M. This inspection has for its object the correction of any and all inequalities as to uniforms and equipment as shown by the inspection of April 28th.

On Friday evening last Lieutenant J. H. Goode, recently commissioned second lieutenant of Company A, was presented with a sword and belt by the men of the company as a token of their appreciation of their new lieutenant. The presentation was made by Captain E, Leslie Spence of Company E, Lieutenant Goode was taken completely by surprise and captured without being able to fire a shot on this peaceful occasion.

The enlistments last week were Benjamin G. Gamer, of Company B, and Charles R.

G. Gamer, of Company B, and Charles R. Noble, of Company D. Furloughs have been granted during the last week to the following members of the regiment: Sergeant-Major R. B. Hickok, thirty days; Private W. G. Spencer, Company C, two months: Private R. L. Wilkinson, Company D, furloughed to June 19th; Commissary-Sergeant H. V. B. Moore, furloughed to Jule 1st.

Non-commissioned officer appointed was: Company F, Private W. D. Drewry to be a Corporal Thomas Boudar, of Company B,

was honorably discharged last week.

Sergeant John C. Booker, of Company D.
has been relieved from duty as sergeant, on
account of inability to attend the duties of

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Following is a list of the officers and members of the Veteran Corps, First Virginia regiment infantry, organized May 11th:

Officers—George Ben. Johnston, M. D., commandant. John E. Laughton, Jr., adjutant; James W. Gibbons, quartermaster, W. T. Gilenn, commissary; James H. Chenery, paymaster; Rev. Preston Nash, chaplain.

Members—R. D. Adam, E. J. Brannan, C. Gray Bossieux, John Bowers, Jr., Joseph V. Bidgood, Charles P. Bigger, F. D. Barksdale, Lettoy E. Brown, T. L. Carrington, L. T. Christian, J. A. Crossley, A. C. Calder, John H. Dunneen, J. H. Derbyshire, J. Pryor Davis, F. D. Gann, E. C. Garrison, Charles Gasser, H. Percey Gray, E. H. Hutcheson, W. T. Hinchman, J. J. Haverly, Cunningham Hall, Robert Harroid, Lewis F. Hill, J. H. H. Johnson, Henry C. Jones, Meriweather Jones, R. H. Mosby, William E. Moore, William Marshall, Jr., T. N. O'Keeffe, J. S. L. Owens, B. K. Pecor, Alonzo L. Phillips, James D. Patten, J. B. Patton, J. W. Phillips, John B. Purcell, William Russell, E. Leslie Spence, J. F. Simmons, W. A. Snyder, C. O. Saville, Patton, J. B. Fatton, J. W. Frillips, John B. Purcell, William Russell, E. Leslie Spence, J. T. Simnons, W. A. Snyder, C. O. Saville, L. E. Sutton, William G. Stokes, E. W. Sweeney, W. M. Tompkins, E. B. Thomassen, J. R. Tennant, Joseah Vaughan, R. H. Wren, John F. Wren, G. K. Wren, E. V. Williams; W. L. Waring, Jr.

Trinity Suuday.

This is Trinity Sunday. Long ago it was regarded merely as the "Octave" of Pentecost. The habit of keeping it as a distinct festival seems to have sprang up about the eleventh century. The universal observance of it was established by Pope John XXII. in

CATHOLIC HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

On next Monday evening the United States Catholic Historical Society will hold a public meeting at the La Salie Institute, Fifty-ninth street. The programme will be one of unusual interest. Cardinal Gibbons devotes a paper to his remniscences of his labors in North Carolina when sent by the Pope as Vicar Apostolic into that State.

Another paper will be read which possesses a pathetic interest of its own. This is the account of Mrs. Surratt's last moments, by Rev. J. A. Walter, of Washington, D. C., who attended the unfortunate lady, and who, after twenty-five years silence, refutes many missistements about her, notably one in the April Century Magazine. The Century would not afford him space for a reply to its slanders of the dead.

ENICKERBOCKER COACHING CLUB.

Previous to the annual meeting, which was called for the noon hour, General Lee, accompanied by several of the association directors and P. L. Terry, was taken for a drive up Mill mountain, and afterwards entertained at dinner by Mr. Terry.

Just before taking an evening train for his home Ceneral Lee was seen by a Times reporter, and naturally the first query was:

"What do you think of the outlook for Roanoke, the Valley, and Southwest Virginia generally so far as industrial development is concerned."

'Never better" was the response, born of a conviction which evidently needed in argument for confirmation. 'In my opinion, argument for confirmation. "In my opinion," continued General Lee, "everything seems to point in one direction, and that is rapid, material advancement of a most pronounced type, too. What leads me to believe this is the fact that so much attentian is being paid to the securing of manufacturing enterprises, not only in Roanoke, but all through the southwest portion of the State, and that is a sign of an unmistakable nature. Capital is not wanting to carry out the plans which are under way and there can be no doubt as to the results."

The reporter here suggested that possibly General Lee had formed an opinion of the third party since its formation at Cincinnati on Wednesday.

"I am out of politics," remarked the ex-

Governor, with a merry twinkle in his eye,
"and am a man of business now, but I have
formed an opinion of the people's party, as
is is called, at the same time. There is no
room in this country for more than the two great parties which now exist, and if the new movement does not die a natural death it will never amount to much in Virginia at any rate. The Virginia Farmers' Alliance is composed largely of Democrats, and contains too many sensible and conservative men to follow a promised phantom, whose shadow has not even been seen yet, and besides the Alliance men are aware that they can get all the reforms they need and want inside the ranks of the Democratic party.—Roanoke

A Great Advantage.

Our cool city homes with all their conven-Our cool city homes with all their conveniences and comforts are much better adapted to enjoyment during the coming hot weather than the stuffy little rooms of a country boarding house. This is plainly evident when we know that at any time by simply calling up R. L. Christian & Co., 814 east Main street, we can have delivered at our door a case of that pure, sparkling and refreshing beverage, the Export Brewage of the Baltimore Brewing Company, which is sold only in bottles.

HICKOR'S NO. 1, H. D. C., FIG. AND CAROLINE SUN-CURED ARE PURE, CLEAN AND CHOICE SUN-CURED TOBACCOS, TRY THEM.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

TURF, FIELD AND DIAMOND.

Exciting Contests in the Games of the Manhattan Athletic Club.

BILLY NASH AT WAR WITH THE UMPIRE.

Chicagos Introduced to a Whitewash by the Phillies_College Championship Games Begin-The Turf.

NEW YORK, May 23 .- The spring games of the Manhattan Athletic Club were held this afternoon in the presence of a large number of spectators. Although no records were broken the various contests were both interesting and exciting. The events and the results were as follows:

Three-mile walk, handicap-Won by E. D. Lange, M. A. C., in 22 minutes and 35 seconds. Hundred-yard dash, handicap-Won by Victor Mapes, Columbia College, in 10 seconds.

L. H. Cary, of Princeton, was second. One mile run, handicap—Won by E. H. Jertberg, N. J. A. C., twenty, yards, in 4 minutes 33 seconds. Half-mile run, handicap—Won by L. B. Crunce, Princeton, forty yards, in two minutes 2 2-5 seconds.

Four hundred and forty yards run, novice—
Won by Walter M. Clark, Princeton, in 5
minutes 45 seconds.

One hundred yards hurdle, handicap—Won
by E. E. Barnes, N. J. A. C., in 13 1-5 seconds.

Four hundred and forty yards, a handicap—
Won by G. M. Campbell, Princeton, in 52 3-5
seconds.

Putting the shot, handicap—Won by F. L. Lambrecht, M. A. C., scratch, with a put of 40 feet 11¼ inches.

Throwing the hammer, handicap—Won by M. O'Sullivan, N. J. A. C., 15 feet, with an actual throw of 111 feet % inches.

High jump, handicap—Won by F. Edwards, N. J. A. C., 1½ inches, with a jump of 5 feet, inches.

NASH WAS UNRULY.

He Gets Tangled Up With the Umpire-The Chicagos Whitewashed.

CLEVELAND, O., May 23 .- The weather here to-day was quite cool, but 2,500 people saw the game between the home team and the

count of a greased ball getting into the game, which was finally thrown out of the field by Doyle, who was threatened with a fine by Umpire Powers.

Nash got tangled up with the umpire and the latter called a policeman to eject Nash, but finally relented. The feature of the game was Clarkson's extraordinarily poor pitching. The home team gave him a pounding, and he repeatedly gave men bases on balls. Score: Batteries: Gruber and Zimmer; Clarkson

and Bennett. Umpire, Powers. At Pittsburg: Pittsburg-Brooklyn game oportune times. Both pitchers were in excellent form and did great work, but Stein got a shade the worst of it. This game is the first whitewash for the home team on their corn grounds.

own grounds. Score: Batteries: Stein and Kittridge; Thornton and Clements. Umpire, Lynch.

and Clements. Umpire, Lynch.

Cincinnati, O., May 23.—Keenan caught for Cincinnati to-day, and the Giants owe to him the victory they scored. He threw wild to second and was not successful in heading off one runner there. The Giants played a superb fielding game, as did the home team with the exception of Keenan, who has not played much this season. Score:

New Yorks Batteries: Duryea and Keenan; John Ewing and Clarke. Umpire, Hearst. ASSOCIATION GAMES.

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At Baltimore:

At Washington: Washington-Louisville game postponed owing to rain.

COLLEGE CHAMPIONSHIP. New Haven, Conn., May 23.—The first game of the series for the college championship be-tween Yale and Princeton resulted as follows: Princetons...... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1

Batteries: Young and Brokaw: Powers and Poole. Umpires, Shopkins and Brady. At Providence, R. L.:

Batteries: Woodcock, Thurston and Sexton; Bates and Upton.

HOW THE CLUBS STAND.

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Brooklyn		16	.385 Columbus		00	-405
Cincinnati	.10	17	.868 Washington.	9	22	.290

THE CADETS BEATEN.

The V. M. I. Boys Meet the Washington and Lee on the Diamond.

LEXINGTON, VA., May 23,-[Special.]-One of the grandest games of base-ball ever seen here was played this afternoon between the Washington and Lees and the Virginia Military Institutes, the result being in doubt until

the last man was put out.

The battery work of both teams was excellent, the Institutes getting only four hits off Phillips, while the Washington and Lees hit Butler safely only once. Dodge getting in a strong right fielder.
The score stood 3 to 2 in favor of the Wash-

ington and Lees.

Batteries: Washington and Lee University. Phillips and Robinson: Virginia Military Institute, Butler and Goodfellow.

Errors: W. and L. U., 4: V. M. I., 3. Struck out: Phillips, 12: Butler, 10.

Results of the Turf. The entries for the Gravesend races are:

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First race, one mile—Charlie Post, 115; St.
John, 114; Valetta, Livonia, 105; Leveller,
Flavia, Donohue, San Juan, Thorndale, 94;
Nellie Bly, 101; Frontenac, 110; Tournament,
122; Longstreet, 129.
Second race, one and one-quarter miles—
Prince Royal, Judge Morrow, 122; Senorita,
114; Come to Taw, 108; Kenwood, Montague,
105; The Forum, 100; Lavinia Belle, Eleve,
95; B. B. Million, 80.
Third race, five and a half furlengs—Gold

55. B. B. Million. 80.
Third race, five and a half furlongs—Gold Wave. 120; Ninone, Flattery, Annie Queen, Spinalong. 115: Jester, Blizzard, Fred Lee, Happy John, Airplaut, Temple, Gambler, 118.
Fourth race, mile and one-eighth—Algernon, Unogrande, Masher, Pertchester, 107; Vagabond, 117; Chatham, 122; India Rubber, Bellevue, 115.
Fifth race, five and a half furlongs—Circular (formerly Affinity, colt), 104; Comforter, Preston B., 93; Guilty, 92; Sleet, Airshaft, Tampa, 108; Recess, 105; Arnica, 98; Detroit, 100; Dis-

ton B., 93; Guitty, 92; Steet, Arishat, Tampa, 108; Recess, 105; Arnica, 98; Detroit, 100; Dis-appointment, 103.

Sixth race, one and three-tenths miles— Forest King Little Jim, Kern, Hoodlum, 106; B. B. Million, 105; Virgie, 85; Ozone, Vivid, 103; Masterlode, 112; Kingsbridge, 107.

GRAVESEND. First race, six furlongs—Hell-Gate first, Spinalong second, Patrimony (colt) third. Time, 1:16%. Second race, nine furlongs—Eon first, Ban-quet second. Text third, Time, 1:55%.

Third race, one mile—Pessaro first, Picnicker second, Portchester third. Time, 1:43.
Fourth race, the Bedford stakes, five and a half furlongs—St. Florian first, Nomad second, Victory third. Time, 1:68%.

Fifth race, St. James Hotel stakes, mile and a quarter—Kingston first, King Thomas second. Time, 2:11½.

Sixth race, eight and one-half furlongs—Admiral first, Pearl Set second, Kingsbridge third. Time, 1:51¼.

Seventh race, six furlongs—Merry Monarch first, Air Plant second, King Mac third. Time, 1:16%.

First race, one mile—Whitney first, Tenor second, Hindoo Lass third. Time, 1:50%.
Second race, mile and a sixteenth—Royal Garter first, Woodveil second, Spectator third. Time, 1:55%.
Third race, five-eighths of a mile—Two Bits first, Prince of Darkness second, Ceverton third. Time, 1:05%.
Fourth race, mile and a half, Latonia derby—Kingman first. Dickerson second, Poet Scout third. Time, 2:55%.
Fifth race, four and a half furlongs—Vancluse first. American Jean second, Ragner third. Time, 55%.

CHICAGO.

First race, four furlongs—Niantic first, Grand-ma second, Richelieu third. Time, 57%. Second race, six furlongs—Fred Taral first, Ivanhoe second, Renounce third. Time, 1:28. Third race, one and a quarter miles—Ethel first, Fakir second, Burch third, Time,

2:14%.
Fourth race, nine furlongs—Hocksey first,
Dundee second, Gilford third. Time, 2:07.
Fifth race, one mile—The Moor first, Pat
Conley second, Hardee third. Time, 1:46.

To Fight It Out.

San Francisco, Cal., May 23.—The directors of the California Athletic Club held a meeting last night. It was decided to offer another purse of \$6,500 to Jackson and Corbett for another "go" before the club. Each of the men was awarded \$2,500 for their part in Thursday mights 65th. in Thursday night's fight.

Corbett May Tackle Slavin.

San Francisco, Cal., May 23.—A telegram was received from New Orleans by Jim Cor-bett to-day from the Olympic Club offering a purse of \$12,000 for a right with Frank Slavin.

THE GOLD TO COME BACK.

Baron Bleichroder Says that Russia's Need Will Soon End.

Baron Bleichroder, the well-known Berlin banker, in an interview recently, said that he desired to modify some of the statements made in an interview on the 15th, which was read with interest in financial circles. He

"The general outlook in Europe is to-day much better than when I saw you last. The settlement of the Anglo-Portuguese dispute cannot but have a tranquillizing effect upon the European markets, besides having a good effect upon politics, which I consider to be in a very satisfactory condition."

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When asked by the correspondent if he thought that the expulsion of ex-Queen Nathalie from Servian territory and the bloodshed, popular excitement and disorder which had attended the action of the Servian Government would lead to further and more extensive troubles, the Baron replied: "No. The present government of Servia is on such friendly terms with Kussia that there is no friendly terms with Russia that there is no fear of a conflict involving the peace of Europe growing out of the present troubles at Belgrade."

Beigrade."
In regard to the recent importation of large amounts of gold into Russia and the uneasy feeling which this financial movement has caused Baron Bleichroder remarked: "You can state that the importation of gold into Russia has come to an end. Russia now has all the gold which it is necessary for her to

all the gold which it is necessary for her to have in order to repay the Dutch loans of 1790 and of 1850, and the million and a half which she owes to the Bank of England on account of the Barings.

"You Americans will have all the gold which you have sent to Europe returned to you by November next at the latest. Your gold will go back in order to buy the harvest. The crops of England and of France are so bad this year that those countries will need much of your grain in order to make up for much of your grain in order to make up for the shortages in their home supplies."

Herr Barth, a leading member of the Reich-stag and a high authority upon national economy, is not so sanguine as Baron Bleich-roder in regard to the future. Herr Barth

"While the United States can look forward to a very prosperous and profitable year the outlook in Europe is anything but hopeful."

The Maharajah's Treasures. (From an India Letter in the Philadelphia

We were taken to the old palace, in the heart of the city, to see the treasure room. Two huge cheetahs, carefully muzzled, used for hunting bucks, were on the palace steps. The regalia of Baroda is valued at £3,000,000, We were first shown the jewels worn by the Maharajah on State occasions.

These consist of a gergeous collar of about 500 diamonds, some of them as big as walnuts, arranged in five rows, surrounded by a top and bottom row of emeralds of the same size; the pendant of a famous diamond called the "Star of the Deccan;" an aigrette to match is worn in the turban; then followed strings of

worn in the turban: then followed strings of pearls of perfect roundness, graduated from the size of a pea to that of a large marble; wondrous rings, necklaces, clusters of sapphires, and rubies as big as grapes.

The greatest marvel of all is a carpet about 10 by 6 feet, made entirely of strings or pure and colored pearls, with great central and corner circles of diamonds. This carpet took three years in making, and cost £300,000. This was one of Khande Rao's mad freaks, and was intended to be sent to Mecca to please a Mahommedan lady who had facinated him, but the scandal of such a thing being done by a Hindoo Prince was too serious, and it never left Baroda.

We were also taken to see two guns, weighing 280 pounds each, of solid gold, with two

ing 280 pounds each, of solid gold, with two companions of silver, the ammunition wagons, bullock harness and ramrods all being silver.

The Critic's True Function.

Your individual self-perfection is the most laudible thing in the world to strive for; but as the nucleus of a gospel it is insipid. Freas the nucleus of a gospel it is insipid. Frequent the busy haunts of men who occupy themselves with kindred pursuits—not literally, of necessity, but sympathetically and in imagination. It is in union that there is strength. Remark tendencies, try to sum them up, to point out their significance and direction. Few men can be Ruskins—et encore! And do not imagine that you can permanently attach and benefit your kind by the mere force of correct, gentle and chaste diction on the one hand rect, gentle and chaste diction on the one hand or of setting an example of repose and seren ity on the other, because nowadays warfare of any kind-even literary criticism-is accustomed to weapons of more robustness and reality and in this sphere preaching by specific reality and in this sphere preaching by specific precept is far more efficient than preaching by general example. And the most important of all things is to be in harmony with one's time and environment. Be sure, O critic! there is something magic in this, however, it may transcend consciousness. See, for instance, how much finer is Mr. Woodberry's essay on Browning—a piece of real criticism—than are his lucubrations about "the ideal life."—From "The Point of View," in Scribner.

Long Engagements.

The sort of courtship that goes on for hours behind closed doors, that insists upon seclusion and resents a third person, that thinks first of the beloved object and not at all of any one else—this may do for a six-weeks' intermission between maidenhood and marriage, but long agrangements, should be conriage; but long engagements should be conducted on radically different lines. Was there ever a dearer sweetheart than Lorna Doone, whose maidenly reserve allowed John Ridd one kiss a day and no spooning whatever! And do you remember Mary Garth, so true to her not any-too-eligible Fred. Garth, so true to her not any-too-eligible Fred, and yet so strait and strict with herseif? Engaged or not, she must surely have been a welcome companion in my house, Fred or no Fred. And again that dame in silver gray who married John Halifax—be sure that her betrothal was a modest and unselfish one.

Lace yourself straitly, Mistress Lucy, and encourage Colin to understand that while you stay under the paternal roof the obligations of that shelter are on you and forbid you to concentrate all your courtesy on a single guest.—Prom "The Point of View," in Scribner.

Will Daugherty, a young man from Dayton. Ohio, was killed at Springfield, Ille, yester-day morning while trying to board a train. He was mangled beyond recognition.

HICKOK'S NO. 1, H D.. C., FIG. AND CAROLINE SUN-CURED ARE PURE, CLEAN AND CHOICE SUN-CURED TOBACCOS, TRY THEM,

PLANTS OF ALL THE WORLD. How Generous Nature Has Diffused Her Veg-

etable Gifts Over the Earth.

"The distribution of vegetable products over the earth affords a very interesting study." said a scientist to a Washington Star study." said a scientist to a Washington Star reporter. "Agriculture came originally, so far as the principal species of use to man are concerned, from three great regions—China. Southwest Asia, with Egypt, and tropical America. In these regions the great civilizations based upon agriculture began. Ancient migrations and concuests brought about the carrying of different kinds of plants from one part of the world to another, and they were exchanged also in a friendle way among nations, so that each friendly way among nations, so that each valuable vegetable became distributed from its original source, where it grew wild, throughout distant countries, the people of which found it available for cultivation. Seather than the people of the countries of the people of the countries of the people of the countries of the people of the peo

throughout distant countries, the people of which found it available for cultivation. Seafaring tribes, too, conveyed such native productions of their own to distant portions of the world. In all these ways the plants which nature had placed upon the earth in scattered patches were spread and made useful to the entire human race. The discovery of America was the last great event which completed the diffusion of cultivated growths.

"It is most curious to consider from what sources the fruits and vegetables most familiar to us, nearly all of them exotics, were originally obtained. Oranges first grew in Southern China and in Cochin-China. The lemon is indigenous to India. Grapes were cultivated in very ancient times—in fact, the fruit of the vine was used by the prehistoric peoples of Europe and Asia. The records of wine-making in Egypt go back 6,000 years. Our common strawberry is one of the most widely diffused plants, partly owing to the small size of its seeds, which birds carry to great distances. It is found all around the Arctic circle in a wild state as far north as the cold will permit. Where it started no one can precisely tell, but it is certain that its cultivation was not introduced until about four centuries was not introduced until about four centuries

ago.

The common plum existed first in Northern Persia and the region of Caucasus. Apricots came from Armenia, and the Greeks and Romans began to grow them at the beginning of the Christian era. The almond tree is a Pagabas, came from of the Christian era. The almond tree is a native of Western Asia. Peaches came from China originally, and pears belonged at the beginning in the temperate belt of Europe. The earliest apples grew in the neighborhood of the Caspian Sea, and the same may be said of quinces. It is contended by some authors that the apple disputed for by Juno, Venus and Minerva was in reality a quince.

"The watermelon, of which the colored people are reputed so fond, was cultivated by the ancient Egyptians in the time of the building of the Pyramids. It is found represented in many of the paintings which they left behind. Likewise there is reason to believe it was known to the Israelites of old. There is no doubt that it originated in the north of

was known to the Israelites of old. There is no doubt that it originated in the north of Africa. The cucumber belonged to the northwest of India. Olives were first brought from the south coast of Asia Minor. Mythology attributed to Minerva the planting of the fruit in Greece, which probably signifies the introduction of cultivated varieties and of processes for extracting the oil. The traditions of ancient peoples, embellished by poets, have commonly attributed the first steps in agriculture and the introduction of useful plants to some divinity.

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"Red peppers are of American origin. The fig is a native to the southern Mediterranean basin from Assyria to the Canaries. Dates are indigenous to the region between the Euphrates and the Nile. The people of Babylon and of Egypt cultivated them most anciently. Bananas had their first existence in the south of Asia and not in the tropical parts of this continent. Probably the species was early introduced to the Americans by the Spanish and Portuguese. The pineapple is an American plant, and was suitably exchanged for the gift of the banana by introducing it to Asia and Africa. Asia and Africa.
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"Radishes were cultivated in gardens from the earliest historic times throughout the temperate region of Asia and Europe, so that it is impossible to tell where they started. Turnips are European. Salsify was first found in Greece and Italy. The potato is one of America's most important contributions to the world's stock of vegetables. Spanish voyagers conveyed it abroad first, though the the credit for its introduction to the Old World was for a long time given to Sir Walter Raleigh. Chili was the birthplace of the tuber. It is commonly imagined, though incorrectly, that the sweet potato belongs to the same family as the potato. Probably the sweet potato originated in America, though some authorities contend that it first grew in Asia. Beets belonged in Southern Europe and Southwest Asia. Garlte is Mongolian. The origin of the onion is disputed, though it was probable derived for Scutiwest. he onion is disputed, though it was probably derived from Southwest Asia. By the Egyptians of old it was largely eaten, and one variety cultivated in their country was so highly esteemed that divine honors were be-

stowed upon it.

'The cabbage was European. In its wild state it was found on the rocks by the seastate it was found on the rocks by the sea-shore. The date of its cultivation is very an-cient. Garden cross came from Persia, like-wise spinach. The tea plant came first from China, and its existence is accounted for by a legend to the effect that a priest, hav-ing succumbed to sleep when he had wished to watch and pray, in anger cut off his eyelids, which were changed into the shrub whose leaves are calcucut off his eyelids, which were changed into the shrub whose leaves are calculated to prevent sleep. Sugar cane was first grown in Southern Asia, whence it spread into Africa and later to America. Tobacco, of course, is native to this continent. At the time of the discovery of America the custom of smoking, of snuff taking and of chewing tobacco was diffused over the greater part of the New World. Pines in great numbers and the New World. Pipes in great numbers and of wonderful workmanship have been discov-ered in the ancient tombs of the Aztecs and the mound builders."—Cincinnati Commer-

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